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Washington, D.C. 20231

**Request for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)**

Sir:

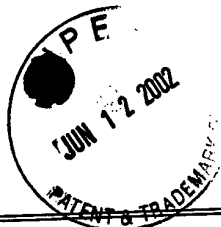
Applicants request that the time for responding to the Office Action dated 12 December 2001 be extended from 12 March 2002 to 12 June 2002 for a total of three months pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) (fee of \$460.00 for a small entity paid herein by check). Applicants request that the Commissioner charge any additional fee set in 37 CFR 1.17 for this extension of time, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Acct. No. 03-

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